

DIAL-OUT LINK SELECTION VIA STATIC ROUTE REDISTRIBUTION

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Dial-out route service is forwarded by a gateway to reduce congestion in a data communication network. The first gateway determines availability of its ports to provide dial-out service for a dial-out route. If the first gateway is unable to provide dial-out service to the dial-out route, the first gateway transfers information corresponding to the dial-out route to a second gateway. The second gateway may access a central database storing static routes corresponding to the transferred dial-out route information. The second gateway advertises the transferred dial-out route. The dial-out route may be terminated based on one or more termination parameters. Forwarding dial-out route service may be used to dynamically scale dial-out service provided by a gateway.